

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 133**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Pan**  
(Coauthor: Senator Lieu)

March 20, 2012

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 133—Relative to Taiwanese American Heritage Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 133, as introduced, Pan. Taiwanese American Heritage Week.

This measure would proclaim that the Legislature joins Taiwanese communities throughout the state in celebrating Taiwanese American Heritage Week. This measure would declare that warm relations and bilateral exchange between the people of California and Taiwan should grow. This measure would state that the Legislature supports the goals of Taiwanese American Heritage Week and recognizes the profound importance of Taiwanese Americans to California.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, May 2012, will mark the 14th annual Taiwanese
- 2 American Heritage Week national celebration; and
- 3 WHEREAS, President Bill Clinton first proclaimed the first
- 4 week of May as Taiwanese American Heritage week in 1999; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The annual Taiwanese American Heritage Week
- 6 celebration creates awareness of the contributions of Taiwanese
- 7 Americans; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The recognition of Taiwanese American Heritage
- 9 Week promotes shared community among different generations
- 10 of Taiwanese Americans in California; and

1 WHEREAS, The Taiwanese American community strongly  
2 supports democracy, human rights, and the rule of law; and

3 WHEREAS, Taiwanese Americans are committed to the  
4 principles of freedom, justice, and democracy; and

5 WHEREAS, Frequent exchanges, including exchanges at the  
6 highest level of government, contribute to broadening the  
7 friendship and cooperation between California and Taiwan; and

8 WHEREAS, Taiwanese Americans have contributed greatly to  
9 scientific, technological, and business advancements that have  
10 helped to shape our state and the world, including notable  
11 Taiwanese Americans such as Chief Technology Officer of  
12 YouTube Steven Chen, California Supreme Court Justice Goodwin  
13 Liu, University of California Santa Barbara Chancellor Henry  
14 Tzu-Yow Yang, and cofounder of Yahoo Jeremy Yang; and

15 WHEREAS, Taiwanese Americans have also contributed greatly  
16 to the arts, entertainment, and humanitarian endeavors that have  
17 impacted and shaped the social fabric of our state and nation,  
18 including Academy Award winning film director Ang Lee,  
19 journalists Lisa and Laura Ling, actress Lucy Liu, National  
20 Basketball Association phenom, Jeremy Lin; and

21 WHEREAS, The United States and Taiwan share common ideals  
22 and a vision for a healthy, peaceful, and democratic 21st century;  
23 now, therefore, be it

24 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
25 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature joins Taiwanese  
26 communities throughout the state in celebrating Taiwanese  
27 American Heritage Week; and be it further

28 *Resolved*, That the Legislature declares that the warm relations  
29 and bilateral exchange between the people of California and Taiwan  
30 should grow; and be it further

31 *Resolved*, That the Legislature supports the goals of Taiwanese  
32 American Heritage Week and recognizes the profound importance  
33 of Taiwanese Americans to California; and be it further

34 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies  
35 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.